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SUBJECT: EC AID TO SAIGON

REF: BRUSSL 8668

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF A DECISION TAKEN BY EC FONMINS IN LUX-EMBOURG ON ALLOCATION TO RED CROSS OF FOOD AID FOR VIET-NAM. LAST PARAGRAPH IN TEXT ALSO REFERS TO COORDINATION OF BILATER AID FOR EC COUNTRIES.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

A. THE COUNCIL NOTED A DECISION BY THE COMMISSION, WITHIN ITS OWN COMPETENCE, TO ALLOCATE TO THE RED CROSS FOR USE IN VIETNAM 1,000

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TONS OF CEREALS AND 100 HUNDRED TONS OF MILK POWDER AT AN APPROX-

IMATE COST OF 360 THOUSAND UNITS OF ACCOUNT. THIF  
ECISION IS TO  
BE IMPLEMENTED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND THE PRECISE USE OF THE  
SUPPLIES SHOULD BE DECIDED PURELY ON GROUNDS OF EFFICIECY, WHILE  
OBSERVING NEUTRALITY BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE  
CONFLICT. THE COMMISSION LATER CONFIRMED THAT BY THESE CONSIDERAT-  
IONS IT MEANT THAT PRIMARY REGARD WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE DISTRESSED  
POPULATIONS ON EITHER SIDE.

B. THE COUNCIL AGREED TO A COMMISSION PROPOSAL TO ALLOCATE 590 TONS  
OF MILK POWER TO UNICEF WITHIN THE EXISTING PROGRAMME, AT A COST  
OF APPROXIMATELY 500,000 UNITS OF ACCOUNT. THE SAME GENERAL  
CONSIDERATION AS ABOVE WILL APPLY.

C. A SUM OF 300,000 UNITS OF ACCOUNT WAS UNBLOCKED FROM THE EMERGENCY  
AID SUBHEAD OF THE BUDGET (ARTICLE 400) TO BE ATTRIBUTED TO  
UNICEF TO ENABLE IT

- TO BUY 100 TONS OF SUGAR
- TO TRANSPORT 100 TONS OF MILD POWDER BY AIR
- TO PURCHASE NECESSARY MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

D. THE COMMISSION WILL SHORTLY BE MAKING FURTHER PROPOSALS (IN  
2-3 WEEKS) CONCERNING ADDITIONAL QUANTITIES OF CEREALS, INCLUDING  
RICE, AND MILD POWDER TO BE GIVEN IN AID TO VIETNAM.

E. THE VALUE OF THE AID ALREADY AGREED IS 1,137,590 UNITS OF  
ACCOUNT. THE PROPOSALS IN THE PIPELINE WILL BE FOR 2-3 MILLION  
UNITS OF ACCOUNT.

F. THE COUNCIL ALSO AGREED ON A COORDINATION OF NATIONAL AIDS TO  
VIETNAM, IN PARTICULAR AS REGARDS THE MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF INFO-  
MATION. END OF TEXT. MOORE UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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